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In response to the Office Action Mailed 2/19/04 (Feb 19,2004), please amend the identified application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows (Previous Claims 2 and 3 incorporated into **Currently amended** Claim 1):

- 1. (Currently amended) A method of augmenting endogenous vertebrate growth hormone release by a chemical synergy between oral intake of a component 1 selected from the group consisting of acetyl-l-carnitine, any acylated ester of l-carnitine having an acyl chain of three to six carbon length, pharmacological acceptable salts thereof, mixtures thereof, and a pharmacological appropriate dose over the range of 10 milligrams to 20 grams and a component 2 selected from the group consisting of l-ornithine, l-ornithine HCl, mixtures thereof, and a pharmacological appropriate dose over the range of 1 milligram to 1 gram.
- 2. (Previously amended) The method in Claim 1 wherein various pharmacological dosages of the component 1 and the component 2 may be administered by techniques selected from a group consisting of any appropriate physiological formulation for delivery of an oral dietary supplement, separate oral ingestion of the component 1 and the component 2 at approximately the same time, and oral ingestion

- of a mixture of the component 1 and the component 2 as a single formulation.
- 3. (Previously amended) The method in Claim 1 where ingestion of the component 1 and the component 2 occurs within one hour of night time sleep and is preceded by an absence of food intake for approximately 3 to 4 hours.
- 4. (Previously amended) The method in Claim 1 wherein the preferred human oral ingestion within one hour of night time sleep consists of 500 milligrams of component 1 and 20 to 50 milligrams of component 2 to augment the release of growth hormone in humans.
- 5. (Previously amended) A method for augmenting the rate of growth of immature domestic animals by oral ingestion administration of the method of Claim 1 at any time during the day.
- 6. (Previously amended) The method of Claim 7, wherein the appropriate pharmacological dose of the component 1 is the product of multiplying 8 milligrams by the numerical value of the animal weight in kilograms and the component 2 dose is a range of 1 to 4 milligrams multiplied by the numerical weight of the animal in kilograms.



Claims

- 1. A method of augmenting endogenous vertebrate growth hormone release by a chemical synergy between oral intake of a component 1 such as the compound acetyl-l-carnitine and a component 2 such as the compound l-ornithine.
- 2. The method in Claim 1 wherein component 1 may also be a substance selected from a group consisting of acetyl-l-carnitine, any acylated ester of l-carnitine having an acyl chain of three to six carbon length, pharmacological acceptable salts thereof, mixtures thereof, and a pharmacological appropriate dose over the range of 10 milligrams to 20 grams.
- 3. The method in Claim 1 wherein component 2 may also be a substance selected from a group consisting of I-ornithine, I-ornithine HCI, mixtures thereof, and a pharmacological appropriate dose over the range of 1 milligram to 1 gram.
- 4. The method in Claim 1 wherein various pharmacological dosages of the component 1 and the component 2 may be administered by techniques selected from a group consisting of any appropriate physiological formulation for delivery of an oral dietary supplement, separate oral ingestion of the component 1 and the component 2 at approximately the same time, and oral ingestion of a mixture of the component 1 and the component 2 as a single formulation.
- 5. The method in Claim 1 where ingestion of the component 1 and the component 2 occurs within one hour of night time sleep and is preceded by an absence of food intake for approximately 3 to 4 hours.
- 6. The method in Claim 1 wherein the preferred human oral ingestion within one hour of night time sleep consists of 500 milligrams of

- component 1 and 20 to 50 milligrams of component 2 to restore young adult growth hormone release levels to aging humans.
- 7. A method for augmenting the rate of growth of immature domestic animals by oral ingestion administration of the method of Claim 1 at any time during the day.
- 8. The method of Claim 7, wherein the appropriate pharmacological dose of the component 1 is the product of multiplying 8 milligrams by the numerical value of the animal weight in kilograms and the component 2 dose is a range of 1 to 4 milligrams multiplied by the numerical weight of the animal in kilograms.